

Method and device for the automatic identification of animals.

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Abstract

The invention relates to a method for the automatic identification of animals, in which a signal specific to an animal from a signal transmitter allocated to an animal is detected and analysed for the identification. So that animals can be reliably identified with low investment and operating costs, a coded beam which can be optically detected by a camera 9 is used as the signal. In addition, the subject matter of the invention is a device for the automatic identification of animals, in particular in feeding stations, with an electronically controllable feed output, a signal transmitter 12 arranged on the animal to be identified, and also a signal receiver which can be connected to an electric data processing means. The signal receiver of this device is designed as a camera and the signal transmitter has a coding which can be optically detected by the camera.

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